

Bibliography of Children’s Literature for Intermediate Report Writing

Using Literature to Support Your Writing Program

Writers of all ages are inspired by the work of other writers. An important component of any classroom writing program is the sharing of examples of writing by professional authors. You may wish to read these examples to the students and discuss them within the context of the genre being studied. Or you may offer them as independent reading selections. While some students are reading independently, you can conference with others who need help during the editing and proofreading process.

The following books support the topic of endangered species that students investigate and write about in the intermediate level of Report Writing.

Galan, Mark. *There’s Still Time: The Success of the Endangered Species Act*. This book explains the Endangered Species Act of 1973, the endangered species list, and preservation measures that followed the act. Eighteen endangered animals and plants are featured in text and photographs.

Gutfreund, Geraldine Marshall. *Vanishing Animal Neighbors*. This book defines extinction. It then describes five species (salamanders, garter snakes, monarch butterflies, jaguarundis, and songbirds) that could face extinction if humans continue to destroy their habitats.

Sayre, April Pulley. *Endangered Birds of North America*. This book tells why birds are especially vulnerable to becoming endangered species. Text and photos explain why five species of North American birds have been placed on the endangered species list and what actions are being taken to prevent them from becoming extinct.

Sherrow, Victoria. *Endangered Mammals of North America*. This book explains that extinction is a natural process that has always occurred but that a growing number of animals are becoming extinct because humans are either destroying their habitats or purposely killing them. The text discusses seven North American mammals that are endangered and explains what can be done to help preserve them.